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## IMMIGRANTS. VALUABLE.

Nothing proves a man's friends so surely as his adversity. Nothing tests the quality of a people so effectively as hard times. It is easy to be loyal when there is good cheer to share and money to put in one's pocket.

These are axioms wrought out of the reflection that now, when business and industry are beginning to quicken into a marvelous activity, the tide of immigration, which was so recently set against the shores of the United States, has begun to turn again in this direction. During the year from October, 1907, to October, 1908, more than 300,000 people who had come to America to cast their lot here left us in our adversity and went back home to spend all the good American dollars they had accumulated on their "visit." Now that new factories are going up, more railroads being projected, and there is a call going through the land for nearly a million more workmen before the 1st of January, these people will be returning in shoals; they will bring with them their fathers, their brothers, and their uncles; everybody will hurry hither to share in the good things.

But at the first sign of a flurry, at the first threat of hard times, they will vanish again, and the wealth they have acquired here will go with them to be spent elsewhere. They are like the Chinese laborers in California, who subsist on a pittance and send all their earnings back to China.

Are such immigrants of any value to the United States? In adventurers their action would be natural, but no country will encourage adventurers by extending over them the privileges that intelligent laws offer to bona fide home builders and permanent residents. The United States wants no immigration-adventurers. They are like bees that come in summer to ravish the farmer's clover field and drink the honey from his flowers. But if in the winter the farmer went to his hives and found the bees had gone and taken all the honey with them, he would conclude that keeping such bees was not profitable.

Nether are such immigrants profitable to the United States. Of course, this country needs immigrants. Its great resources demand development, and development requires labor. Its mills and fields and mines, its factories, furnaces, and railroads require hands to operate them. Immigration must furnish a large part of these. The country wants the sturdy blood and strong arms of men from across the seas to help build it up, and it wants them to share in the profits. But it wants permanent immigrants; the kind of men and women who will build homes here and rear families of young Americans, ignorant of allegiance to any other flag or the traditions of any other land. It would be desirable if immigration to the United States could be restricted to the people who come to stay through adversity and prosperity alike.

Notwithstanding the defeat of their candidate for the presidency, there are evidently some democrats in the country. They elected their state tickets in six states, while their candidates for governor in New York and Illinois ran much ahead of Mr. Bryan. They have also gained a number of seats in the house of representatives and in the senate.

## TARIFF REVISION WITHOUT A FIGHT.

When the congress meets in special session after March 4 to revise the tariff the work will, we are informed, be far advanced. The utmost speed will be made consistent with the careful and deliberate consideration of all matters affected by the tariff that there may be the minimum disturbance to business while the legislation is pending. Already Seno E. Payne, chairman of the ways and means committee, has made several trips to Washington this summer to look after the work. It is not improbable that the new law will be ready to go into effect July 1 next, says the Republic.

It would be heartless to laugh at these tales, they are so odious in their simplicity. It makes one think of Arcadia rather than Tarifa. On what drowsy slup have these republican tariff revisionists been feeding? In their waking moments, surely, they could not have talked seriously about such a land of fancy as they seem to think they are inhabiting. Has the history of the making of tariffs been written in vain? Have the woes and buffetings of the men who, in the past, have tried to reduce the tariff been wasted in the present generation of politicians? Things must have changed wonderfully if the republicans are going to revise the tariff with the kind of effortless ease described in the dispatches from Washington.

But, say these dispatches, all interest—all "interests"—will receive a hearing. And also the active men are Payne, Dalsell, McCall, Boutell, Fordney, Aldrich and Burrows. Here is a grim array of standpatters to delight Cannon's heart. Payne, disciple of Dingley; Dalsell, representative of the steel interests; Fordney, who fought reciprocity with Cuba to the last ditch because of his beet-sugar interests in Michigan; Burrows, who with a \$2 lumber tariff drove a hundred sawmills from Michigan to Canada, and Aldrich, related to Rockefeller and most of the trusts.

The protected manufacturers will be down on the committee like wolves on the fold. Instead of co-operating with the committee they will say bluntly what they want and they will insist on having it. For every ounce of injustice and special privilege that is wrung out of Dingleyism a pound of Payne-Aldrichism will be injected. The republican party lies bound hand and foot in the tariff prison house. The standpatters will not allow it to budge. The protected interests feel that they own the party and it is not recorded that they have forgotten how to fight. Combined with the democrats, who will act rather as interested observers than as participants, there may be enough honest, unembarrassed and justice loving republicans to force through some measure of half-reform, but any prediction that it will be easy sliding is much awry. Any revision worth the name will have to be fought for every inch of the way, and if it isn't fought for it won't be secured.

It is one thing to gain a victory over the opposition; it is another and a finer thing to triumph over one's self. This maxim is applicable to political parties as well as to individuals and the question is: "Can the republican party, represented by Speaker Cannon, Seno Payne and Mr. Dalsell, so far triumph over itself as to revise the tariff in a way to provide ample revenues and reduce taxation?" The task is gigantic. With Cannon in the chair and Payne and Dalsell on the floor, it seems almost impossible. Virginia and Alabama, no less than Pennsylvania, will stand for duty on coal. New England wants free coal. Tennessee and Alabama, like Pennsylvania and Ohio, will want a heavy duty on iron; while other states demand free iron. The Carolinas and the New England states and the states of the cotton belt, will hold out for the cotton schedule as it now exists. Certain western states will want protection on hides, while the states having extensive shoe manufacturing will demand free hides. And in all this clash and scramble of conflicting interests, the people—the great majority who wear clothes and shoes and who demand the cheap breakfast table and the full dinner pail—will be heard but little heeded.

Beautiful weather is prevailing in these post-election days. The furious political storm has subsided. Mental and physical dynamics, free of political apprehension, may be directed to the field, the factory and the mine—those abundant resources of this wonderful country. The welfare of mil-



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ions in America with the wide world for exports affords an outlet which will require the best energies of an industrious and enterprising people. The times are improving. The railroads are finding it necessary to employ more help; to build more cars and to prepare for that increase of traffic which they foresee. There is every indication that the panic is over and that good times are here.

There are many new buildings being planned for Douglas in the near future. Two good residences have just been started on Thirteenth street, between B and C, and another in the same vicinity on that street will be commenced at an early day. It will be good to see the growth of Douglas during the next twelve months. Everything is now pointing to an old time rush of business and growth.

It is announced that the Humboldt smelter has been sold or reorganization has been effected by which this plant will soon be put back into commission. With the steady advance in the price of copper the operation of the Humboldt smelter will add much to the prosperity of the territory. When the Humboldt was in operation it was handling large amounts of ore from northern Arizona and was receiving the output from the copper properties in Pinal counties.

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## A REPUBLICAN CONGRESS.

When, after his inauguration next March, President Taft calls the sixty-first congress together in special session he will have a republican majority in both houses to carry out that policy of tariff revision to which he is personally pledged by his public utterances, and to which his party is bound by its platform promises. While the majority is not so overwhelming as that elected with Theodore Roosevelt four years ago, and while democratic gains in such states as Colorado, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Kentucky and Iowa are without significance, the house is still strongly, the senate overwhelmingly republican.

There has been no democratic congress since the one elected with Grover Cleveland in 1892. That congress, the fifty-third, contained in the senate 44 democrats, 38 republicans and 2 populists, and in the house a tidal wave majority of 220 democrats to 126 republicans. Two years later both branches of congress became republican and they have so remained.

The Roosevelt tidal wave of 1904 carried 250 republicans into office as representatives and left only 136 democrats; the senate in the new congress stood 58 to 32. The present senate has a two-thirds republican majority, 61 to 31; and in the house there are now 224 republicans and 167 democrats. These proportions will not be so greatly changed as to relieve the majority party of its full measure of legislative responsibility.

The chief standpatters of the country must preside over a tariff revision house, unless platform pledges are made only to be broken. Speaker Cannon won in the Eighteenth Illinois district two years ago by 10,000 votes. The campaign against him this year has been one of extraordinary vigor and virulence and has attracted national attention. He is apparently elected by a greatly reduced plurality to preside over the framing and passage of a reformed tariff!

The republicans and democrats of Tucson are trying to agree on a non-partisan city ticket for the coming city election there. Everybody seems to be in favor of the proposition, but it will require skilled management to bring about complete harmony in that city where one of the hottest political campaigns in its history has just closed.

building during the coming winter. All the property owners in the burned district are preparing to erect substantial structures. In the residence section of the fire many plans have been prepared for new buildings and the homes to take the place of those destroyed by the fire demon will be greatly superior in quality to the old ones.

The time is now approaching when there will be a general revival of prosperity, according to the best informed men in the business world. With copper increasing in price there is no section of the country where the opportunity for advancement is

greater than in Cochise county. In the Warren district there are several important properties, including the Shattuck, which have been idle for many months. These properties will resume operation if copper stands at 15 cents or over. In the Courtland district there are being developed copper ore in splendid quantities which are almost now a certain guarantee of another large producing camp for Cochise county. South of Douglas in Mexico there are some important copper properties which have been idle since the slump which may be expected to get back into the game in the near future.

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